the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: July 29, 2010.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13717-000]

Copper Valley Electric Association, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

July 15, 2010.

On April 19, 2010, Copper Valley Electric Association, Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Silver Lake Hydroelectric Project, located on Silver Lake and Duck River, in the Valdez-Cordova Census Area, Alaska. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A 400- to 600-footlong, 100- to 125-foot-high rollercompacted concrete dam constructed at the outfall of Silver Lake to Duck River; (2) Silver Lake, with a surface area of 1,678 acres and a storage capacity of 165,200 acre-feet at elevation 425 feet mean sea level (msl) 1; (3) a 9-footdiameter, 6,000-foot-long buried steel penstock; (4) a powerhouse containing three Francis turbine/generating units having a total installed capacity of 15 megawatts; (5) an open-channel tailrace; (6) an ecological return flow facility to support resident species within the bypassed reach of the Duck River; (7) a 50-foot-wide, 140-foot-long switchyard, with generation stepped down at the switchyard to serve local requirements; (8) approximately 4.5 miles of new roads to access the dam and powerhouse: (9) a 100-foot-long dock bulkhead with a 20-foot-wide, 30-footlong seaplane/floatplane ramp; (10) a 300-foot-long, 150-foot-wide housing structure for plant operators; (11) a 40foot-wide, 100-foot-long maintenance shop; and (12) appurtenant facilities. The proposed Silver Lake Hydroelectric

Project would have an average annual generation of 44.8 gigawatt-hours.

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FERC Contact: Jennifer Harper, 202–502–6136.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ferconline.asp) under the "eFiling"link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov; call tollfree at (866) 208-3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–13717–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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¹ Currently, Silver Lake has a surface area of 978 acres at 306 feet msl. The new dam will raise the surface elevation of Silver Lake to 425 feet msl, which will inundate about 700 acres (as calculated by Staff) of tribal land owned by the Chugach Alaska Corporation (Source: Permit Application filed April 19, 2010).